

**MOST IMMEDIATE**  
**TIME BOUND**

No. A-28012/02/2019-Vig.  
Government of India  
Ministry of Rural Development  
Department of Rural Development  
(Vigilance Section)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated, the 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

**CIRCULAR**

**Sub: Extension of timelines for recording of Annual Performance Assessment Report (APAR) of Group 'A', 'B' and 'C' officers of CSS/CSSS/CSCS cadre through SPARROW portal for the year 2020-21.**

Enclosed is an O.M No. 22/6/2021-CS.1 (APAR) dated 25.06.2021 received from Department of Personnel & Training regarding extension of timelines for recording and completion of APARs for the year 2020-2021 for Group 'A', 'B' and 'C' officers/staff of CSS/CSSS/CSCS cadre, as a one-time measure, as specified in Annexure owing to the situation arising due to COVID-19.

2. The extended timelines for the APAR year 2020-2021 shall also apply to the reporting/reviewing/accepting authorities, who have demitted office or retired from service on or after 28.02.2021 and they shall be allowed to record their remarks till the respective extended cut-off dates.

3. All the officers (Officer Reported Upon/Reporting/Reviewing Officers) are requested to complete the action at their part in the prescribed time lines given in enclosed Annexure of DoPT.

**Encl as above:**

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Date: 2021.06.28 15:15 IST

(Arvind Kumar Soni)  
Under Secretary (Vig.)

To

All the officers in Department of Rural Development.

**Copy to:-**

- (i) Establishment-I &II Section, Ministry of Rural Development for information and necessary action.
- (ii) Technical Director, NIC with the request to upload the circular on the Ministry's web-site and e-office portal.

F.No.22-6/2021-CS.I (APAR)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions  
Department of Personnel & Training

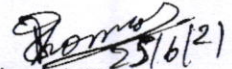
2nd Floor, A Wing, Lok Nayak Bhawan,  
Khan Market, New Delhi.  
Dated : 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Extension of timelines for submission of Annual Performance Assessment Report (APAR) in respect of Group-A, B and C officers of CSS/CSSS/CSCS cadre through SPARROW portal for the year 2020-2021.**

The undersigned is directed to invite reference to this Department's OM of even number dated 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 conveying revised timelines for completion of APAR process for the year 2020-21 in respect of Group 'A', 'B' and 'C' officers of CSS/CSSS/CSCS cadres and the Estt. Division of DoPT's O.M. No 21011/02/2015-Estt. (A)-part-II dated 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 vide which the timelines for completion of APAR process for the year 2020-21 for group 'A', 'B' and 'C' officers of Central Civil Services has been further extended.

2. Accordingly, in the view of the prevailing Covid-19 situation, it has been decided with the approval of competent authority that the timelines for distribution/online generation, recording and completion of entire APAR process for the year 2020-21, shall also be extended further in respect of all Group -A, B and C officers/staff of CSS/CSSS/CSCS cadres as specified in the Annexure.
3. It has further been decided that for the APAR year 2020-21, the extended timelines specified in the Annexure shall also apply to the reporting, reviewing officers who have demitted office or retired from service on or after 28.02.2021. They shall be allowed to record their remarks till the respective extended cut-off dates.
4. Further, the decision conveyed vide Estt. Division OM dated 14.06.2021 (copy enclosed) delinking recording and completion of APAR for the year 2020-21 from the conduct of Annual Medical Examination and thereafter submission of summary of medical report by 31.12.2021 may also please be noted for compliance.



(Zachariah Thomas)

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To

1. All Ministries/ Department/ Cadre Units of CSS/CSSS/CSCS.
2. DS(CS-II)